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SUBJ: SPEECH BY TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS  
MINISTER

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. IN LATEST OF SERIES OF SPEECHES BY  
GOP MINISTERS ON THEIR RESPECTIVE 1975-76 BIENNIAL BUDGETS,  
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS MINISTER GENERAL RAUL  
MENESE SPOKE TO THE NATION ON RADIO/TV NETWORK MARCH 3 AND  
TO PRESS AFTERWARDS (SEE SEPTTEL FOR HIS COMMENTS ON CIVAIR  
DISPUTE).

2. IN LACKLUSTER PRESENTATION, HE NOTED THAT THE FIVE MAJOR  
ROAD SYSTEMS IN COUNTRY WOULD BE REPAIRED AND EXPANDED,  
INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW COAST-SIERRA HIGHWAY TO  
TERMINATE IN HUACHO AREA 140 KM. NORTH OF LIMA TO RELIEVE  
CONGESTION ON CENTRAL HIGHWAY. HE SAID THAT BY THE END OF  
1975 THERE WILL BE MICROWAVE COMMUNICATIONS THROUGHOUT THE  
COUNTRY AND THAT 40 CITIES WILL HAVE TELEX FACILITIES.  
HE ALSO NOTED WITH PRIDE THAT A U.S. COMPANY AND A  
BRITISH COMPANY WHICH HANDLED ALL INTERNATIONAL CABLE  
TRAFFIC HAD BEEN NATIONALIZED EARLIER IN DAY AND THAT  
PERU IS NOW OWNER OF ITS LINKS TO THE WORLD (LIMA 10599).

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HE REPORTED ALSO THAT A STUDY IS TO BE MADE REGARD-

ING CONSTRUCTION OF A LARGE PORT COMPLEX AT BAYOVAR WHICH WOULD SERVE FISHING INDUSTRY, LARGE PLANNED PETROCHEMICAL COMPLEX, AND PHOSPHATE MINE. A NEW PORT WILL ALSO BE CONSTRUCTED IN HUACHO AREA TO RELIEVE HEAVY TRAFFIC AT CALLAO. AIRPORTS AT MAJOR PROVINCIAL CENTERS WILL BE CONSTRUCTED OR ENLARGED. END UNCLASSIFIED BEGIN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

3. COMMENT: DESPITE THE MINISTER'S PRIDE AND BOASTS IN NEWSPAPERS THAT INTERNATIONAL CABLE SERVICE WOULD REMAIN UNIMPAIRED AND EVEN IMPROVED, REGULAR USERS INFORM US THAT GOP OPERATION IS PROVING A DISASTER. INTERNATIONAL NEWS AND WIRE SERVICES IN PARTICULAR ARE COMPLAINING ABOUT GOVERNMENT "MANAGEMENT" OF INTERNATIONAL TELEX SERVICE. SERVICE IS REPORTEDLY SO BAD THAT U.S. NEWSMEN HAVE RESORTED TO USING INTERNATIONAL TELEPHONE SERVICE TO FILE DISPATCHES. ANOTHER POTENTIAL PROBLEM IS THAT PAY SCALE OF EMPLOYEES OF NEWLY NATIONALIZED TELEX COMPANIES IS HIGHER THAN GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS ALLOW FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES DOING SAME JOB. MINISTER IS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT MATTER IS BEING DISCUSSED WITH RESPECTIVE UNION LEADERS. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE DEAN

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